GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
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DECLINE IN INTERNATIONAL TRAFFIC OF AIR INDIA
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a constant decline in the lifting international passenger traffic to and from India by Air India in comparison to the other airlines;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the steps taken to increase the share of Air India in international passenger traffic; and

(d) the income generated through internal flights during the last three years?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a), (b) and (c):- As per the available air market data for 1999, Air India`s passenger carriage to/from India increased by 5.8% over the previous year, which is similar to the rate at which the passenger carriage o f other international airlines operating to/from India increased.

(d): The details of the income generated through internal flights during the last two years are as under:-

(Rs. in Crores)

	Operating Revenue	Operating Results
1998/99		
Domestic	87.21	(58.19)
Domestic (Hub & Spoke)	10.51	(11.05)
1999/2000		
Domestic	84.36	(48.17)
Domestic (Hub & Spoke)	13.27	(10.69)

The requisite information for 1997-98 is not available since separate records for domestic flights were not kept in the earlier years.